

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION            )**  
**OF ARTESIAN WATER COMPANY, INC.         )**       **PSC DOCKET NO. 11-207**  
**FOR A REVISION OF RATES                    )**  
**(Filed April 11, 2011)                         )**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE OF EVIDENTIARY HEARING**

**TO: ALL CUSTOMERS OF ARTESIAN WATER COMPANY, INC. AND  
OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS**

The Delaware Public Service Commission (the "Commission") will conduct an evidentiary hearing concerning the above-captioned case (as further explained below) at the following time and location:

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>	<b><u>LOCATION</u></b>
<b>Tuesday, December 20, 2011</b>	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Public Service Commission Hearing Room 861 Silver Lake Blvd., 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Dover, DE 19904</b>

Anyone planning to attend the evidentiary hearing should consult the Commission's website prior to the event for any changes or cancellations in the time, place or date.

On April 11, 2011, Artesian Water Company, Inc. ("Artesian") filed an application with the Delaware Public Service Commission (the "Commission") pursuant to 26 *Del. C.* §§201, 209, 304 and 306 requesting approval of an increase in water service rates designed to produce an additional \$10,926,304 in annual revenues (a 19.45% increase over existing rates) and approval of proposed changes to its tariff language. Artesian, the Commission Staff, the Public Advocate and Christiana Care Health Services, Inc. have reached a settlement with respect to the Application, which they will present to the Commission for its consideration at this evidentiary hearing. You may review certain documents concerning the Application and the proposed settlement on the Commission's website at <http://depssc.delaware.gov/water.shtml>.

The deadline for submission of petitions for intervention was June 10, 2011. Only those persons or entities that were granted intervention in this matter may present witnesses, conduct cross-examination or introduce evidence in this proceeding and at the evidentiary hearing. *Members of the public are welcome to attend the evidentiary hearings as observers.*

The Commission will consider the Application, the pre-filed and live testimony of the parties and any other pertinent documents submitted by the parties, including the

settlement. The Commission is obligated to reach its decision based upon the evidence presented at this evidentiary hearing.

In addition to being posted on the Commission's website, copies of the Application, testimony, the proposed settlement agreement and other documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Dover office, 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Suite 100, Dover, DE 19904. You may also review copies of the documents at the office of the Division of the Public Advocate located at the Carvel State Office Building, 4th Floor, 820 North French Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801. Please call (302) 577-5077 to make an appointment to review the documents at that location.

Individuals with disabilities who wish to participate in these proceedings or to review these filings may contact the Commission to discuss any auxiliary aids or services needed to facilitate such review or participation. Such contact may be in person, by writing, telephonically, by use of the Telecommunications Relay Service, or otherwise. The Commission Staff is available for questions concerning the Application and other documents. The Commission's toll-free telephone number within Delaware is 1-800-282-8574. The Commission can also be reached at (302) 736-7500 and that number should be used for Text Telephone ("TT") calls. Inquiries can also be sent to the Commission by Internet e-mail to [jack.schreyer@state.de.us](mailto:jack.schreyer@state.de.us).